

<b>Notice of Allowability</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
	10/075,862	HARRISON ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>	
	Alexander Grosz	3673	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 3/16/05
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 31-40
3. ☐ The drawings filed on \_\_\_\_\_ are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☐ All   b) ☐ Some\*   c) ☐ None   of the:
    1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
    3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
  - \* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.  
**THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.**

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☒ CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
  - (a) ☒ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
    - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☒ to Paper No./Mail Date 2/14/05
  - (b) ☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date 5/27/05

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)                               |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)   | 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),<br>Paper No./Mail Date <u>5/25/05</u> |
| 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),<br>Paper No./Mail Date <u>10/08/03</u> | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment                                       |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit<br>of Biological Material                               | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance                      |
|  | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____   |

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Harrison on 5/25/05.

Cancel claims 41-58 without prejudice.

On page 25, of the entered substitute specification filed on 3/16/05, between lines 8, 9 enter:

-As in the structure of figure 15, the crib comprises an anti-collapse mechanism (139) which is a non-expanding, flexible material used to detachably connect at least one lower corner bracket of the crib to its vertically aligned upper bracket.

In a timely manner Mr. Harrison agreed to insert a new element "139" in figure 27, similar to element "139" shown in figure 15, vertically oriented between at least one of the upper and lower brackets.

In claim 31, line 35, after "non-expanding", insert:

-flexible-; in line 36, change "attached" to -detachably connected-.

Insert the following new abstract:

#### **Abstract of the Disclosure**

The present invention relates to collapsible self-supported cribs which have one or more of the following characteristics: adjustable length and/or, width and/or height,

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lightweight, easily collapsed, very compact when collapsed and easily carried, stored and transported. The cribs contain one or more of the following elements: anti-torque posts, crossed support arms, telescoping crossed support arms, flexible liners, Structure Locking Elements, Anti-Collapse Locking Elements and Anti-Tipping Assemblies.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: On 5/25/05, Mr. Harrison and I discussed the prior art of record, in general, amended claims presented on 3/16/05, as well as the changes to the specification, abstract and drawing, and agreed that the claims are allowable. The prior art of record fails to teach or suggest the very specific structure of the claims that include the structure locking element and especially the detachable, flexible anti-collapse mechanism.

Claim 31 was further amended to clarify the flexible and detachable nature of the anti-collapse mechanism, to clearly differentiate it from conventional corner posts.

The three irrelevant "prior art" references on PTO 1449 are deleted.

If applicant has questions about drawing corrections, applicant may contact the draftsman, Nhan Tang, at 703-305-0333.

Upon agreement, I asked Mr. Harrison to consult with the co-inventor, Mr. Mann, to get his approval for the changes.

On 5/25/05, Mr. Mann called and indicated that he also agrees to the changes.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

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accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Alex Grosz at telephone number 571-272-7041.

Grosz/vs  
June 6, 2005



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